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TANAGER EXPANDS RESERVE FLEET

On that particular Autumn Thursday, several of the Staff of the Office of Reserve returned from a casually routine lunch in downtown Washington. We were relaxed and ready to continue what had been a routine day. We didn't. Immediately, we felt there was something unusual happening. The office had that slightly tense electrified atmosphere it assumes when something big is in the wind. It was.

The telephone rang - a lieutenant answered - listened - smiled - and announced, "We have it!" For a few moments exactly what we had was uncertain, but we knew we would soon find out. We did. Several of the officers and men had gathered around one desk. The lieutenant who made the announcement was busily opening large blueprints, while others in the group spoke quickly to each other in near-whispered voices - "It looks good." "Needs some work topside." "It's about time we got one." "What'll they name it?" "How long is it?" "Yes, it has diesel engines." "Wonder who'll be CO?." "I hear its goin' to Yorktown."

Most of the other questions and answers on that Autumn Thursday were uncertain, confused, and generally based on rumor. One thing, however, was fact. TANAGER was ours - the Coast Guard Reserve had become "owner" of its first training ship to be used for inactive duty and active duty training.

The new vessel has been officially named the Coast Guard Cutter TANAGER and designated WTR 385, showing that she is exclusively a Reserve Training Ship. At the time she became property of the Reserve, the ship was in the mothball fleet of the Navy and was moored in Orange, Texas. TANAGER served in



the Navy as a Fleet Minesweeper of the "AUK" class. She was built by the American Shipbuilding Co. in Buffalo, N.Y., and was commissioned in the Navy Fleet in 1944. Shortly after being turned over to the Coast Guard Reserve this year, she was transferred to the Coast Guard Yard, Baltimore, Md., where she is now being activated and outfitted for Reserve Training Cruises. The vessel has a length of 220 feet and a beam of 50 feet. She is propelled by twin General Motors diesel engines with electric motor-driven shafts. The latest surface-search RADAR is

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Portland ORTU Shines

In the past, the Coast Guard has been well known and acclaimed for its ability in seamanship and duties afloat.

Its accomplishments in the field of military drill, however, may have been less recognized. This situation is becoming passe as officers and men of Coast Guard Reserve units throughout the country begin concentrating more and more on excellence in this field of training.

The results of one such program recently reflected credit on the officers and men of ORTUPS (0)

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Moot Courts Flourish At Naval Justice School

The somber atmosphere of a General Court Martial was the background as 26 officers of the Coast Guard Reserve began training at the U.S. Naval Justice School at Newport, Rhode Island. Fortunately, the scene was a "moot" court and only one of several such sessions conducted during the school.

Reserve Officers from the districts within the Eastern Area attended the school to learn the regulations and procedures for conducting military tribunals. Several of the trainees are civilian attorneys well versed in legal matters, but the majority were laymen who have an interest only in the military aspects of law.

The training at Newport centered around the moot court martial. These

staged trials were considered the best method of illustrating the intricate details which insure that military personnel receive impartial justice. However, the trainees also attended lectures and seminars on the various aspects of military law.

Aside from the legal training the students toured the USN Submarine Base, Groton, Connecticut, and went aboard the USS TUSK, a fleet submarine.

The ten days of intensive training were climaxed by an address from RADM William C. MOTT, USN, the Judge Advocate General of the Navy.

One of the SPAR's who attended commented, "It's a fine course; the instructors are excellent, but it's a 'work' course. Everyone . . . spent a great deal of time in the law library . . ." The others who attended joined in highly recommending the school.



"CONGRATULATIONS." CAPT Mark WHALEN, USCG, the Commanding Officer of the Reserve Training Center, Yorktown, Va., congratulates Jack K. ADAMS, USCGR after awarding him the Coast Guard Commendation Medal. ADAMS is a Reservist in ORTUPS 05-82420 which trains at Yorktown. The Medal was awarded for his life-saving rescue of a bather from the York River.

HELP WANTED; SUNNY CALIFORNIA

Four two-week periods of active duty for training will begin on 5 July 1964, at Coast Guard Base, Alameda, California. Reserve personnel of the Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Coast Guard Districts will receive training during this Summer period.

As with the Yorktown Training Center on the East Coast, instructor/administrators are needed to assist in conducting the training program at Alameda. Plans are being made to offer some of the following courses (exact courses and convening dates will be published in a future issue):

OFFICER COURSES:

Prospective CO-XO
Captain of the Port
Basic Indoctrination
Merchant Marine Safety (Basic)
Dangerous Cargo
Range Officer
Leadership
Training Officer

ENLISTED COURSES:

Boatswain's Mate
Engineman
Dangerous Cargoman
Port Securityman
Electrician's Mate
Yeoman/Storekeeper
Quartermaster
Fire Fighter
Instructor Training
Range Officer
Leadership
Hospital Corpsman

Administrators and support personnel are needed to supplement the permanent staff and are required in the following areas and/or ratings:

Yeoman
Storekeeper
Hospital Corpsman
Gunner's Mate
Boatswain's Mate
Engineman
Bus driver
Master-at-arms

Officer and enlisted personnel on inactive duty who are interested may submit letter applications to the Commandant (RT-2) via the chain of command. Those applicants who request assignment for the entire period, 22 June to 28 August, will be given preference commensurate with the needs of the program and the qualifications of the applicant. ARU personnel may apply for periods of 27 days or longer. Applications are desired at the earliest time, but no later than 1 May 1964. Travel distance from home to Alameda will be a selection factor, and personnel who reside east of Chicago are not eligible for this assignment. ACDUTRA orders will be authorized for selected applicants. Applications should include at least the following information:

a. Period you are available.

b. Subjects and/or support areas for which qualified.

c. Civilian and military education, occupation, and experience which will qualify you for an instructor/administrator assignment.

TRANS ATLANTIC PRINCE CHARMING

A former Swedish Queen of Light has come to live in the United States after a year-long trans-Atlantic courtship with a Lake Oswego, Oregon, Coast Guard Reservist.

Gun Wadstedt, now the wife of James BLODGETT, FN, USCGR flew to the U.S. with her new husband after their marriage in Gotland, a resort off the Swedish coast near Stockholm.

The romance began in June 1962, when Gun, reigning as the Swedish Queen of Light, was visiting in Portland, Oregon. During her visit she lived with some friends of BLODGETT, who suggested he teach her to water ski. He agreed, and the pair had a fine time skiing, but six weeks later Gun was gone - back to Sweden.

The couple corresponded regularly and then this "trans-Atlantic Prince Charming" set out to get his maiden fair. That is where the Coast Guard came on the scene. Regulations stipulate that all Reservists must secure permission from the Commandant before they can leave this country. Well, BLODGETT was given a clearance, but with the condition that he spend a month on ACDUTRA in the U.S. Embassy in Copenhagen (some people have all the luck). He did his duty and arrived in Stockholm just in time to see Gun resign her queenly duties at the coronation of the new Queen of Light.

After their wedding and a Scandinavian honeymoon, the BLODGETTs returned to Oregon to establish their permanent home.

"I'm very happy in Oregon," Gun said with a delightful Swedish accent, "even though I miss my parents some."

This story doesn't prove that every Coast Guard Reservist can meet and marry a European beauty queen - but it sure is a pleasant thought.

Boy Gets His CG Cap

Twelve-year old Dave Halloran asked for an official Coast Guard hat - and he got one plus a visit to a Reserve unit and some "sea duty" in a Coast Guard patrol boat.

Dave wrote a letter to the commanding officer of Portland, Oregon, Reserve unit, ORTUPS 13-82890 saving:

"I would like to know if I could get an original Coast Guard white sailor cap, without going to a naval supply store. The Japan-made caps don't wash well ... and are not very well made. I hope to join the Coast Guard ... I have read about it," Dave continued. "Thank you, I will understand if you can't get a cap."

Thereupon, LCDR Howard B. SOMERS arranged for Dave to visit with the Reserve unit on Swan Island. He ate with the "troops" and received his cap at special ceremonies during the afternoon muster. Later, he went aboard a 40 boat for a short patrol around the island.

LCDR SOMERS had found a way to grant the boy's wish. Perhaps he also won a future Coast Guardsman.

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being installed, and the new CIC-ASW equipment going aboard will allow antisubmarine training with live submarines.

The training program proposed for TANAGER cruises will combine theoretical and practical training. The vessel is being equipped so that the practical training normally associated with the Reserve unit program can be offered during Reserve cruises. This will allow for imimplementation of the mediate theoretical training for seagoing ratings. The ratings suitable to training in TANAGER are: BM, GM, QM, RM, RD, SO, SM, EN, EM, BT, DC, CS, YN and SK. Training will be accomplished during weekend and two-week cruises. During these cruises, a maximum of 80 trainees from ORTUAG's will be aboard. In addition, there will be a Regular crew of 30 "white hats", 4 chiefs, and 5 officers.

The CGC TANAGER will be based at the Reserve Training Center, Yorktown, Va., but she will be available for scheduled cruises along the entire East Coast.

Assuming that activating of TANAGER continues as scheduled, the first Reserve training cruises should occur in early September of this year.

The acquisition of the CGC TANAGER marks a beginning and an end. It is the beginning of an improved Reserve afloat training program. It is the end of a long effort to begin providing the Reserve with vessels primarily scheduled for weekend training. It is hoped that similar vessels can be procured for the Reserve in the future.

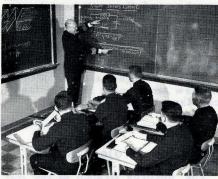
THE SEA YIELDS TO KNOWLEDGE

(Editor's Note: This article is the first of a series of six articles concerning the Regular Coast Guard. The intention of this series is to renew in the minds of Reservists the functions of the Regular Service.)

Scientiae Cedit Mare - The Sea Yields to Knowledge. With this motto emblazoned on its crest, the U.S. Coast Guard Academy opens its great iron gates to the young men of America. Through these gates go the men who become the mainstay of the Coast Guard's Officer Corps. And so



it has been since 1876 when the Academy was commissioned to "graduate young men with sound bodies, stout hearts, and alert minds, with a liking for the sea and its lore." A cadet's career begins with the "problems" of "swab summer," a period before the first academic term when the transition is made from civilian life to the life of a military cadet. Then begins a four-year course of instruction in engineering, humanities, social studies, sciences, and service professional subjects. Upongraduation a cadet is awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree and is commissioned Ensign in the U.S. Coast Guard.



At the Academy, the Winter Terms are devoted to classroom instruction, drill, sports, and a varied social life. A typical week day begins at 0610. A vigorous schedule is followed until taps at 2210. Liberty is granted on Saturday afternoon and evening, and on Sunday after chapel services. This gives the cadets time to go into nearby New London, Connecticut, or across the street to visit the girls at "Conn College" (Connecticut College for Women).

The Summer Term is divided into practical training and leave. In his four years at the Academy, a cadet takes two long cruises and two short cruises in addition to practical training at various shore stations. The most adventurous cruises are made aboard the square-rigger EAGLE. Launched in 1936 at Hamburg. Germany, this 1900-ton, steel threemaster, originally named Horst Wessel, is the pride of the Service. Its cruises give the cadets ataste of sea going life and carry them to many of the world's most exotic ports-of-call. Other cruises are made aboard the Coast Guard's white cutters.

Added to the variety of sports at the Academy, are the numerous extra-curricular activities a cadet can enjoy. There is the Drum and Bugle Corps, a radio station, the Cadet Choir and Glee Club, a yacht racing club, and the Cadet newspaper, Howling Gale.



As with all the Armed Forces Academies, the Coast Guard Academy has a proud heritage and many deep-rooted traditions. Basic to its entire program are the ideals of honor, loyalty, and obedience. In the four years of cadet life prior to commissioning, graduates of the Academy develop traits of character which guide them through life. Many a graying four-striper has recalled his experiences at New London with a smile and a tear. Undoubtedly, at such times, he recalls a verse learned early in his Academy career: "Of all the Lives I Ever Led, A Sailor's Life for Me, Sir!"



"ROA UNIT CITATION." The officers of ORTUPS (0) 09-82608, Cleveland, Ohio, recently received a citation for their organization of a Coast Guard Chapter of the Reserve Officers. Association in the Cleveland area. The certificate was presented at the unit's drill by CAPT F. F. NICHOLS, USCG, Chief, Reserve Division, Ninth District.

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13-82891, Portland, Oregon. Unit members have been practicing on off-duty drill periods as an "honorguard" drill team to represent the Coast Guard Reserve in civic affairs in the Portland area.

Although they had only been practicing as a team for a few short months an invitation was extended to participate in the annual Portland "Livestock Exposition Parade" on 13 October 1963. That was considered too good an opportunity to pass up. That parade is Portland's second largest annual marching parade, and is excelled only by the "Rose Festival Parade."

One officer, LT James W. FENI-MORE (50374) USCGR, and twenty men from the unit decided to put their reputation on the line and their skill to the test by entering this contest for the first time. The results were more than gratifying as they won the first place, blue ribbon for "B" Division, non-commercial marching units, from many service competitors, including bands and other marching groups.

The unit and the Coast Guard Reserve are justifiably proud of the accomplishment of these volunteers - and we can be sure they will do their very best to bring home top honors in the June 1964 Rose Festival Parade.

RESERVE DRILL ATTENDANCE

NOVEMBER 1963

National Average 85.7%

Highest District Average
11th District 87.9%

National Officer Average 94.3%

National Enlisted Average 84.7%

Reserve Immunization

Although official health records of inactive Reservists are maintained by the district commanders (r), the maintenance of ORTU personnel in a current immune status is a command responsibility. Immunizations required for ORTU members are Smallpox, Typhoid, and Tetanus. After initial vaccine has been administered, the following immunizations are required:

Smallpox - Vaccination every three (3) years

Typhoid - Two boosters at fouryear intervals for personnel remaining in the Continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii

Tetanus - Booster every four (4) years

Since a veteran is NOT innoculated at the time of original enlistment in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve, there is no record of innoculations in his health record. Arrangements should be made locally to have a veteran innoculated as soon after he is assigned to a unit as possible.

Department of Defense Form 737, Immunization Certificate, has been adopted for use by Organized Reserve Training Units and will be furnished to each individual member to document his current immunization status. DD Form 737 is an official record with validity corresponding to that of Standard Form 601 and must be safeguarded against loss or destruction.

Upon receipt from the District Commander of a certified copy of the Immunization Record SF-601, unit commanding officers should record the information contained in the SF-601 on the member's Immunization Certificate (DD-737). All subsequent immunization for all members of the unit must be included in the SF-601 and the individual's Immunization Certificate. By maintaining accurate immunization records a unit is better prepared in case of mobilization.

These changes are included in the new Amendment 37 to the Medical Manual, CG-294.

Microfilm Project Begins

The Records Branch of the Administration Division, Office of Reserve, recently completed plans to microfilm the Fitness Reports of inactive duty Reserve officers.

This 8mm microfilming system, which is similar to the one currently used by the Office of Personnel, will provide a permanent record of Officer Fitness Reports. These filmed records will be stored at the Headquarters Emergency Relocation Center. Should the original records at Headquarters be destroyed, these microfilmed records

RESERVE JOINS NAVY NEWS CENTER

The "Shield" which identifies members of the Coast Guard and the Coast Guard and the Coast Guard Reserve has been placed alongside the Navy's "Anchor" and the Marine Corps' "Globe and Anchor" at the Navy's Fleet Home Town News Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

This means that the release of stories concerning the Coast Guard and its Reserve will bring a new depth to the importance of American Seapower. It also means that the Coast Guard Reserve can now "tell its story" at the home town level.

After several months of negotiations, Coast Guard personnel reported at Great Lakes, and in mid-November the stories, photographs, tape recordings, and films began to flow into the Center's news rooms.

The Officer-in-Charge has assured this office that the Fleet Home Town News Center will be proud to receive, edit, reproduce, and distribute the stories of your activities to the thousands of newspapers and radio stations presently served by that activity. Material may be forwarded to the Coast Guard Detachment, U.S. Navy Fleet Home Town News Center, Great Lakes, Illinois, 60088. For the purpose of coordination, copies of material submitted directly to the News Center may be forwarded to the Commandant (RT). Detailed procedures for submission of material are outlined in Commandant Instruction 5724.1.

Here's a perfect opportunity to spread the word on the Reserve. All ORTU's are encouraged to use it.

could be used by future Promotion Boards to help determine Reserve officer promotions.

The records of 3800 Reserve officers are now the basis for the project which will expand to include the records of new inactive duty officers.

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